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La Jolla Activist Sues For Records

A La Jolla woman who has been active in the anti-war and anti-nucle-ar power campaigns filed suit in federal court yesterday to compel the National Security Agency and Central Intelligence Agency to release documents on the government's surveillance of her and her family.

Attorney John P. Murphy of the American Civil Liberties Union filed the action on behalf of Tanja Y. Winter, who was in Copenhagen yesterday as a delegate to the United Nations Decade of Women Conference.

Mrs. Winter is the wife of Dr. Bernard Winter, a retired oral surgeon, who said yesterday that his wife has long been active working for peace and against nuclear power. She is scheduled to return here Aug. 1.

Murphy said the suit seeks release of documents pertaining to surveillance of Mrs. Winter from 1964 through 1967 when she was a resident of New York. Based on earlier action, he said, Mrs. Winter did receive some documents from the FBI, but most of the material was blacked out. Murphy said some of his client's mail had been intercepted, including a letter she had written to a pen pal in Russia and another letter to a Russian who had been a visiting speaker to one of her groups.

Mrs. Winter, the attorney said, claims she should not have been followed or investigated. Some of the earlier material she was able to obtain included observations of her wearing a brown coat and getting on a bus and meeting at someone's

house, Murphy said. He added: "It's a lot of gossip for the most part and a waste of the taxpayers' money."

The suit to compel release of documents was filed under the Freedom of Information Act.

Mrs. Winter first requested release of information from the CIA and the request was turned over to the National Security Agency. The NSA re-

sponded that the information she sought was "classified in its entirety" and excluded from declassification.

She was advised that classification was required "because disclosure would reveal intelligence sources and methods by which it was derived, the revelation of which would cause damage to national security interests of the U.S."

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